PUBLIC COMMENTS (PC)-V

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PC-V7 Translation

Comment:

Accidents in the freeway, a lot of traffic. More lanes are needed for traffic to flow faster. A lot of people need it .

PC-V8

From: Sent: To: Subject: Carol Vanderree [aevccv@ca.rr.com] Tuesday, July 10, 2012 11:55 AM Parsons, 405.dedcomments Opposition to proposal #3

To whom it may concern,

Costa Mesa has relatively recently been disrupted with freeway construction that was very costly to the taxpayers. Such little foresight to now destroy what was built to re-engineer the road.

This is an abuse of the taxpayers' money. Just because there are funds available now does not mean that they should be spent, especially on a plan as extensive and expensive as option #3. Besides which, it will not relieve the problem which is too many cars on the road. No matter how much you reconstruct and redesign the area where the 55, 405 and 73 meet, there will always be conquestion.

Option #1 is the most minimally invasive of the plans and would give a modicum of relief. Plan #3 will not give the bang for the buck and is irresponsible.

I have lived in Costa Mesa for over 35 years and am very disappointed with OCTA for favoring plan #3. Please act responsibly and implement the most fiscally responsible plan, #1.

Carol Vanderree 3075 Loren Lane Costa Mesa, CA 92626

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Ray Veila [ray@rayvellarealtor.com] From: Tuesday, June 19, 2012 11:06 AM Sent: Parsons, 405.dedcomments

My comments regarding the 405 Freeway Subject:

Dear Smita

My wife Jeanette and myself are residents in College Park East and live on the corner of Iris Cr. and Almond Ave. It appears to us that the freeway expansion is eminent but our main concern for all of College Park East is the Sound Wall. We are very concerned that if the sound wall is moved how long will the existing sound wall be "down" before the new sound wall is rebuilt? The main concerns we have is safety, security from vandalism and crime, and health issues. We urge you to consider these very important issues and offer the residents some solutions that we can all agree on. We urge you to keep the wall up at all costs but to consider our concerns if the sound wall is moved.

Thank you,

Ray and Jeanette Vella

PC-V13

Cherie Verderber [cverderber@socal.rr.com] From: Wednesday, July 11, 2012 2:49 PM

Parsons, 405.dedcomments

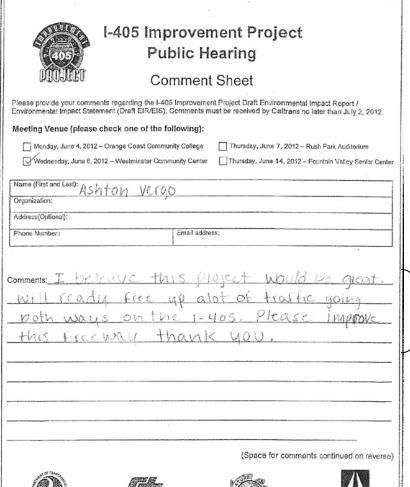
Subject: 405, Beach to MacArthur

Importance:

I have traveled the Northbound 405 freeway during 5 p.m. rush hour for many years between the John Wayne Airport (MacArthur Blvd. exit in Irvine, CA) and Brookhurst Street exit in Fountain Valley, CA) and this is the most congested stretch of the 405 freeway. I have taken side streets to avoid this area it is so frustrating. During 8 am rush hour the southbound 405 is terrible from Beach Blvd. to the MacArthur Blvd. exit Irvine. A majority of the Orange County residents work in Irvine. It has grown to be the hub of the county business world. If anything is widened it should be in these sections. (Option 1 general purpose lane each direction on the 405, from the 73 to the 605 would cover these areas, but it should be 2 general purpose lanes. Option 2 doesn't cover these congested areas.)

Option 3: How does a toll express lane "work in conjunction with a car pool lane?" Drivers would be confused because the requirements for the toll express lane are different from the car pool lane and the two lanes would be next to each other on the left side of the road. The toll would have to be on the far left, because the car poolers couldn't drive in the toll lane. The cost of getting a toll road transponder for daily drivers who want to arrive at work on time, is too expensive. A car pool lane is more fair, and should only require 2 people in the car, not 3. It is two difficult for a driver to always have 3 people in

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my husband and I worked so hard and saved for 25 years to be able to afford to live in College Park east with at Children and many foster children. We are deliciously happy there and we live 3 hases in from almond park so yw can sae how dramatically yw will affect our lives and ar children and our dreams if you take duen our sand wall please please don't tach ar wall please please don't tach ar wall please

PC-V18

July 14, 2012

Dear Me. Smita, Deal punde Branch Chief -

This letter is written to provide comments and questions from two residential home owners in the College Park East community of Seal Beach which the I-405 Improvement Project will greatly impact.

Which alternatives would most benefit College Park East?

- *1. "No Build" would be best.
- *2. Ending the project at Valley View would be second best.
- *3. Alternative #1 is acceptable because the Almond Avenue Sound Wall would not be moved. Retaining this wall would greatly lessen air pollution, improve noise quality and increase safety for the whole community. Parking along Almond would not be eliminated on one side of the street. There is already limited parking for guests on week-ends, on street cleaning and trash pick-up days because Almond borders cul-de-sacs. It took years for the vegetation to cover the wall as it now stands and makes the current wall more attractive and healthy. Property values would not be as adversely effected. Our quality of life would not be as greatly effected.

Other considerations:

- *4 Why would OCTA and Cal Trans create the parking lot that will result since Los Angeles County has no plans to add lanes in the next 10-15 years or at all? Additional noise and pollution need to be considered.
- *5 Why create Toll Lanes since Measure M did not provide for them? Toll roads can be used only by people who can afford them, have three or more occupants per car, and may not be adequately used during peak periods.
- *6 Is there a way to alleviate problems getting on the northbound 405 from Seal Beach Boulevard? Basically drivers entering at Seal Beach Boulevard will have to go over two lanes to exit Seventh Street and two more lanes to exit the 605 thereby going over four lanes to continue on the 405.

Carefully consider the following suggestions:

- *7 Why not end the 405 Improvement Project at Valley View Street and use the existing seven lanes of 405 between Valley View Street and the LA County line in any manner desired for the optimum traffic flow?
- *8 If either Alternative 2 or 3 is chosen, end either one or both of the new lanes at Valley View so that they only have to take away one or no lanes at the county line instead of two lanes.
- *9 Use rubberized asphalt on the 405 between Valley View and the LA County line to minimize noise.

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- *10 Why not consider a center line movement, a four foot shoulder and 405 realignment so that the Almond Avenue Sound Wall will not need to be moved into College Park East?
- *11 Renegotiate with the U. S. Navy regarding moving ten or so feet into their space. Claiming danger to people by moving into their blast perimeter is ridiculous. They are storing not testing munitions.
- *12 Above all, do not move the Almond Avenue Sound Wall for reasons above and other unlisted reasons.

Yours truly

Clif and Jane Vineyard 3521 Fern Circle Seal Beach, CA 90740

PC-V19

 From:
 traci vitug [tvitug27@gmail.com]

 Sent:
 Friday, June 15, 2012 10:51 AM

 Parsons, 405.dedcomments
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 Subject:
 405.Expansion/CPE Wall

PLEASE HEAR THE RESIDENTS OF COLLEGE PARK EAST!!!!!

Any scenario that involves tearing down and moving the soundwall in Seal Beach along Almond avenue is unacceptable

- Any period of time without any part of the wall is unacceptable in our neighborhood. The noise would be completely intolerable not only from the construction, but from the freeway. Could you sleep with nothing between your home and the 405? How do you expect our children to?
- I am confident that the noise level while there is no wall violates any number of environmental issues in the study that were glossed only looking at the final result. The final result will certainly be bad enough for us, but the rebuild is completely intolerable.
- There is absolutely no way they can build a new wall before tearing down the old (not enough room for the workers and equipment between the two structures).
- No one knows how long the wall be down because "they haven't looked at that closely yet". That answer is completely
 unacceptable given how long it could potentially be down.
- There will still be a backup as you approach the 605 because LA County is not do any expansion there. THAT BACK UP WILL FURTHER BOTTLENECK OUR EXITS AND CREATES FURTHER POLLUTION IN THE HOMES & COMMUNITIES BORDERING THE 405
- Our property values will likely decrease almost certainly during the period where the wall is being rebuilt and it is nonexistent, and even afterwards because we will lose the landscaping we currently enjoy, not all of the wall will be uniform
 as not all of it is moving, and because the noise and pollution will be that much closer to our homes. In addition, our exits
 will be bottlenecked by the narrowing of lanes at the county line so getting to and from our homes will be perceived as
 more challenging instead of an improvement.
- . Pollution will only increase in an area that already has more than its fair share of black soot on everything.
- We will lose 1 side of parking on Almond. This may not seem like a big deal at first blush, but our street sweeping does
 one side of a cull de sac at a time, and several of our cull de sacs have limited to almost no curb parking. What happens
 when the street sweeper is coming down the side of Almond that has parking where are those cars supposed to go?
 Blocks away?
- We have enjoyed that wider street now for several decades and a more narrow street will affect the safety of our children, bicyclists, roller bladers, runners, walkers, dog walkers, and the elderly who prefer to use their walkers on the road instead of the bumpy sidewalk. And that list is not all inclusive as many of our residents use Almond to access our
- . Measure M did not approve Alternative 2 and 3, only Alternative 1.
- . The new wall will not be as good as our current one not up to the same earthquake standards as when originally built.
- I lack faith that the builders will truly make rebuilding the wall a priority what if something happens and we don't get our wall back for a long time or at all!
- . Power outages for the entire neighborhood as power lines are relocated is unacceptable
- We are equally concerned for our neighbors in Fountain Valley who will lose jobs and revenue for the city when 4 of their businesses are uprooted. I know there is talk about relocating them, but so much of a business's success is dependent on it's location — it is unlikely to be a move up for them.
- We will lose trees in Almond Park if the wall is moved at all in that area. The plan right now is to not move that part, so why do you have to move the adjacent parts????
- It seems that either Alternative 2 or 3 will create more lanes of traffic outside our neighborhood by just moving the bottleneck to the LA Count/Orange County interface on the 405. The result is we'll have MORE pollution and noise in our neighborhood as the freeway clogs right at the border, and all those extra cars have nowhere to go with no other.

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freeways expanded. The 605 northbound has never been an issue; the majority of the traffic backup is caused by the 405 north of OC, and expanding the freeway to the border not only fails to address the issue it makes the pollution worse in this area as more cars are backed up more hours of the day on the freeway. The added pollution could be significant for all of us, especially children with asthma, and elderly people with emphysema/COPD, bronchitis, or asthma.

Proposals:

- . Go with Alternative 1 as approved by the voters in Measure M
- Narrow the shoulder by a few feet where necessary to avoid moving the wall at all bridges don't have to have a 10' foot shoulder, so having small sections with smaller shoulders should be achievable without having to make changes to the soundwall
- . Start eliminating one of the General Purpose lanes early to avoid moving the wall
- . Consider light rail or some other public transportation.
- Lobby the heck out of the Navy to give a few feet where needed on their side we don't need 10 feet all the way, just occasionally
- * DO WHATEVER IT TAKES NOT TO MOVE THE WALL!!!!!!!!!

PC-V20

 From:
 Anne Vo [annemvo@yahoo.com]

 Sent:
 Wednesday, June 20, 2012 12:48 PM

 To:
 Parsons, 405.dedcomments

Subject: Leave Our Wall Alone (405 / Seal Beach Blvd)

Dear OCTA professonal and/or Smita Deshpande.

On behalf of our neighborhood, we, Anne and Phil Han as residents of 4917 Ironwood Ave, Seal Beach 90740, would like to voice our concerns regarding the Soundwall on the 405 surrounding CollegePark East. Please do not tear it down and move it closer to our homes.

Should you have any questions regarding this message, you may contact us directly on our cell at 408-218-

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Anne Vo and Phil Han

PC-V21

 From:
 Vo, Hugh H [hugh.h.vo@boeing.com]

 Sent:
 Monday, July 16, 2012 4:46 PM

 To:
 Parsons, 405.dedcomments

Subject: 405 DEIR/DEIS- Keep The Existing Soundwall Along The Almond Avenue

Dear Ms Smita Deshpande Caltrans District 12 Subject : 405 DEIR/DEIS

Please keep the existing sound wall along the Almond Avenue in College Park East because:

1. You have a good intention to try to resolve the traffic problem on the 405 freeway BUT moving the wall closer will surely increase smog, noise, worse air quality/ health risks to ALL nearby residents.

- 2. Impacts on the safety for kids, runners, bikers, dog walkers etc 3. County will save a lot of money to leave the wall alone since it doesn't have to relocate all the lines that provide powers, telephone and cable to the neighborhood 4. There still will be a bottle neck at the 605 because LA county will not expand the 405 on their side of the county line 5. There is a risk of the project completion: The OC county doesn't have budget allocated for the total project but depends on the future sale tax and property tax. Suggestions:
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- st Use rubberized asphalt on the 405 between Valley View and the LA County line to minimize noise
- * With a center line movement, a 4 foot inside shoulder and 405 realignment, the Almond Avenue sound wall will not need to be moved into SB College Park East.
- * A 4 foot inside shoulder on the south side of the freeway is acceptable, why not on the north side of the freeway? The soundwall would not need to be moved. Thank you for your concerns,

Hugh

(562) 982-8030

July 17, 2012

Ms Smita Deshpande Caltrans District 12 2201 Dupont Drive, Suite 200, Irvine. CA 92612

Subject: 405 DEIR/DEIS <u>Please keep the existing sound wall along the Almond</u> Avenue in College Park East at Seal Beach, Orange County

Dear Ms Smita Deshpande

Please reconsider the I-405 Improvement Project, currently I live in CPE in Seal Beach city, I really have some concerns about the safety for kids, runners, bikers, dog walkers along the wall, if we have the existing sound wall move closer to the CPE residents it also will surely increase smog, noise, worse air quality/ health risks to ALL nearby residents.

The decision to keep the existing sound wall will save a lot of money since the county doesn't have to relocate all the lines that provide powers, telephone and cable to the neighborhood and build the new wall having the same quality as the existing wall will cost money.

Please note one important fact: There still will be a bottle neck at the 605 because LA county will not expand the 405 on their side of the county line.

Thank you for your concerns

Hugh Vo

3620 Rose Cir

Seal Beach, CA 90740

PC-V23

 From:
 Vo, Hugh H [hugh.h.vo@boeing.com]

 Sent:
 Wednesday, June 20, 2012 10:59 AM

Fo: Parsons, 405.dedcomments

Subject: I-405 Widening Project - Leave the existing soundwall alone

To: Smta Deshpande Caltrans District 12 2201 Dupont Drive , suite 200 Irvine CA, 92612

Please consider the alternate design and keep the freeway behind the existing soundwall along the Almond Avenue in College Park East for several good reasons:

1. Moving the wall closer will bring $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right$

2. Impacts on the safety for kids, runners, bikers, dog walkers etc

3. County can save a lot of money to leave the wall alone and don't have to relocate all the electrical lines that provide powers, telephone and cable to the neighborhood

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 From:
 Lan Vo [lanvo01@yahoo.com]

 Sent:
 Monday, July 16, 2012 4:20 PM

 To:
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Thank you for your concerns, Lan Vo 3620 Rose Cir Seal Beach, CA 90740 Cell (562) 453 9957

PC-V26

From: John Vong [johnvongcpa@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2012 10:35 PM
To: Parsons, 405.dedcomments

Subject: Soundwall

This email is to request that OCTA not move the existing soundwall.

Doing so has an impact to my house value and it is a distrubtion to my community. I feel the freeway is wide enough. Please don't move the soundwall

Thank you

RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS (PC)-V

Response to Comment Letter PC-V1

Comment PC-V1-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V2

Comment PC-V2-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V3

Comment PC-V3-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V4

Comment PC-V4-1

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Comment PC-V5-1

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Respuesta a la Carta De Comentario PC-V6

Comentario PC-V6-1

Las agencias de Caltrans y Orange County Transportation Authroity les gustaría agradecerle por haber participado en el proceso ambiental para el proyecto de ampliación de la autopista de San Diego (I-405). Su comentario fue considerado durante el proceso de selección de la "Alternative Preferida", como esta escrito en el reporte llamando en ingles "I-405 Improvement Project Final EIR/EIS." Se le notificará en la dirección proveida en su Cometario cuando el reporte "Final EIR/EIS" va a estar disponible para revisarlo.

Response to Comment Letter Translation PC-V6

Comment PC-V6-1

Caltrans and OCTA thank you for participating in the environmental process for the I-405 Improvement Project. Your comment was considered during identification of the Preferred Alternative as described in the Final EIR/EIS. You will be notified at the address provided in your comment when the Final EIR/EIS is available for review.

Respuesta a la Carta De Comentario PC-V7

Comentario PC-V7-1

Las agencias de Caltrans y Orange County Transportation Authroity les gustaría agradecerle por haber participado en el proceso ambiental para el proyecto de ampliación de la autopista de San Diego (I-405). Su comentario fue considerado durante el proceso de selección de la "Alternative Preferida", como esta escrito en el reporte llamando en ingles "I-405 Improvement Project Final EIR/EIS." Se le notificará en la dirección proveida en su Cometario cuando el reporte "Final EIR/EIS" va a estar disponible para revisarlo.

Response to Comment Letter Translation PC-V7

Comment PC-V7-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V8

Comment PC-V8-1

Only Alternative 3 would require replacement of the Fairview Road Overcrossing. Caltrans/OCTA have considered design options to avoid replacement of the Fairview Road Overcrossing under Alternative 3. Please see Common Responses – Replacement of Fairview Road Overcrossing/Truncation of Tolled Express Lanes and Preferred Alternative Identification.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V9

Comment PC-V9-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V10

Comment PC-V10-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V11

Comment PC-V11-1

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Comment PC-V12-1

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Only Alternatives 2 and 3 would require relocation of the Almond Avenue soundwall. Caltrans/OCTA have considered design options to avoid relocation of the soundwall under Alternatives 2 and 3. Please see Common Response – Almond Avenue Soundwall.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V13

Comment PC-V13-1

Caltrans and OCTA thank you for participating in the environmental process for the I-405 Improvement Project. Your comment was considered during identification of the Preferred Alternative as described in the Final EIR/EIS. You will be notified at the address provided in your comment when the Final EIR/EIS is available for review. Please see Common Response – Preferred Alternative Identification. Alternatives 1 and 2 provide improvements in the same general area, between Euclid Street and I-605. For a more complete description of the build alternatives, see the Draft EIR/EIS, pages S-3 to S-8, and the exhibits on pages 2-6 and 2-7.

Comment PC-V13-2

As described in the Draft EIR/EIS on page 2-10: "The tolled Express Lane and the existing HOV lanes would be managed jointly as a tolled Express Facility" HOVs would be able to use both lanes of the facility. For a discussion of the need to change the HOV occupancy requirement for free use of the Express Lanes, see Common Response – Opposition to Tolling.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V14

Comment PC-V14-1

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Caltrans and OCTA thank you for participating in the environmental process for the I-405 Improvement Project. Although you did not provide a comment, you will be notified at the address provided in your comment when the Final EIR/EIS is available for review.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V16

Comment PC-V16-1

Caltrans and OCTA thank you for participating in the environmental process for the I-405 Improvement Project. Your comment was considered during identification of the Preferred Alternative as described in the Final EIR/EIS. You will be notified at the address provided in your comment when the Final EIR/EIS is available for review.

Only Alternatives 2 and 3 would require relocation of the Almond Avenue soundwall. Caltrans/OCTA have considered design options to avoid relocation of the soundwall under Alternatives 2 and 3. Please see Common Response – Almond Avenue Soundwall.

Comment PC-V16-2

The benefits to congestion of Alternative 3 and the Express Lanes are summarized in the Draft EIR/EIS in Tables 3.1.6-4 through 3.1.6-8 and Tables 3.1.6-12 through 3.1.6-14, along with the benefits of the other alternatives. With respect to potential congestion at the Los Angeles County line, please see Common Response – Traffic Flow at the Orange County/Los Angeles County Line.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V17

Comment PC-V17-1

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Comment PC-V18-1

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Dropping the additional GP lane in Alternatives 1 and 3 upstream of I-605 would create a chokepoint at the drop location because there would be no roadway to receive the lane's traffic. Carrying that lane to I-605 and providing a full two-lane exit at the beginning of I-605 provides a location for ending the lane that has the capacity to receive the lane's traffic. Consideration was given to dropping the second additional lane included in Alternative 2 just south of SR-22, but this was rejected due to the level of congestion such a bottleneck would create. Carrying the second lane to the SR-22 West exit ramp provides a location for ending the lane that has the capacity to receive the lane's traffic.

Comment PC-V18-2

With respect to a potential bottleneck at the Los Angeles County line, please see Common Response – Traffic Flow at the Orange County/Los Angeles County Line.

Comment PC-V18-3

We acknowledge the opposition to toll lanes and concern about the use of Renewed Measure M funds. Please see Common Responses – Opposition to Tolling and Measure M Funding.

Comment PC-V18-4

Under the No Build Alternative, vehicles entering I-405 northbound from Seal Beach Boulevard must merge one lane left to access I-605 and one more lane left to continue on I-405 northbound. Under all of the build alternatives, one lane change plus a lane merge downstream of the SR-22 westbound off-ramp would be required to reach I-605 and two additional lane changes to reach I-405.

Comment PC-V18-5

With respect to ending the project at Valley View Street, please see Response to Comment V18-1.

Comment PC-V18-6

Alternative 2 adds two lanes and Alternative 3 adds only one lane in the northbound direction north of the SR-22 merge near Valley View Street. With respect to ending proposed lanes near Valley View Street, please see Response to Comment V18-1.

Comment PC-V18-7

The reach from Valley View Street to the county line is proposed for concrete pavement as opposed to asphalt concrete. Rubberized asphalt is not proposed under this project. FHWA policy does not allow the use of pavement type or surface texture as a traffic noise abatement measure because it can lose its effectiveness over time. Presently, FHWA and several state transportation departments are conducting research to determine the longevity of the noise-reduction characteristics of rubberized asphalt.

Comment PC-V18-8

Please see Response to Comment PC-V18-1.

Comment PC-V18-9

Please see Response to Comment PC-V18-1. The priority of the design team was to minimize the residential impacts, including ROW. OCTA, Caltrans, and FHWA have worked extensively with the Navy to move I-405 toward and into the Navy property to avoid impacting the residential areas on the northbound side of I-405. Please see Common Response – Shifting Improvements away from Residential Properties onto NAVWPNSTA Seal Beach Property.

Comment PC-V18-10

Please see Response to Comment PC-V18-1.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V19

Comment PC-V19-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V20

Comment PC-V20-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V21

Comment PC-V21-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V22

Comment PC-V22-1

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Comment PC-V22-2

With respect to a potential bottleneck at the Los Angeles County line, please see Common Response – Traffic Flow at the Orange County/Los Angeles County Line.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V23

Comment PC-V23-1

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Comment PC-V23-2

Please see Response to Comment PC-V22-2.

Response to Comment Letter PC-V24

Comment PC-V24-1

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Please see Common Response – Measure M Funding.

With respect to a potential bottleneck at the Los Angeles County line, please see Common Response – Traffic Flow at the Orange County/Los Angeles County Line.

Comment PC-V25-1

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Response to Comment Letter PC-V26

Comment PC-V26-1

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